

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 8, 2001

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Donald F. McGahn II Attorney-At-Law 410 Fourth Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003

RE: MUR 5066

Dear Mr. McGahn:

On June 1, 2001, you were notified that the Federal Election Commission found probable cause to believe that Benton for Congress ("Committee") violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(f), 434(a)(6)(A), and 11 C.F.R. § 103.3(b)(3), (4), and (5).

Please note that pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(A)(i), the conciliation period in this matter may not extend for more than 90 days, but may cease after 30 days. Insofar as more than 30 days have elapsed without a definitive response from you, a recommendation concerning the filing of a civil suit will be made to the Commission by the Office of the General Counsel unless we receive a response from you before August 15, 2001.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Albert R. Veldhuyzen

Attorney